

From: [Melnykovych, Andrew \(PSC\)](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: your comments in case number 2016-00026 - Kentucky Utilities environmental compliance plan
Date: Wednesday, March 16, 2016 11:00:33 AM

Dear Mr. Morris:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. for approval of its 2016 environmental compliance plan and associated surcharge.

Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration.

As you noted, the case number in this matter is 2016-00026. It would be helpful if you would please refer to it in any further correspondence.

The application and other documents in this case are available at
http://psc.ky.gov/PSC_WebNet/ViewCaseFilings.aspx?case=2016-00026

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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From: Jack Morris [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, March 04, 2016 1:41 PM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer
Subject: Case # 2016-00026

This note is to comment on KU's proposed rate increase, case 2016-00026.

According to a note included with KU's most recent bill, they propose to increase the environmental surcharge to recover costs associated with installation of pollution control equipment to comply with KU's 2016 Environmental Compliance Plan, which I assume is driven by the Clean Air Act and various EPA rules.

I do not really quibble with KU's right to recover these costs or the costs themselves. I leave it to the KYPSC members to determine if they are accurate and reasonable.

My problem is with the use of the Environmental Surcharge to capture and recover costs. Why does a thing called Environmental Surcharge exist? It's existence implies that providing clean

air has a cost that may be avoided. The cost of making coal generated energy meet EPA rules is a real, integral cost of providing that energy and should not be called out specially as if we can choose or not choose to do it. This, and all other valid, still extant, 'environmental surcharges' need to be included in the actual rate noted to produce energy. The true cost of the generated energy would then be more accurately captured.

If there is to be an environmental surcharge, why is it partially based on the fixed part of the bill and partially includes Electric DSM as part of its base? For the surcharge rate to be valid, the Basic Service Charge and Electric DSM should somehow contribute to the 'problems' being solved by the environmental surcharge. Do they?

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Sincerely,
Jack W. Morris

From: [Melnykovych, Andrew \(PSC\)](#)
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Subject: your comments in case number 2016-00026 - Kentucky Utilities environmental compliance plan
Date: Wednesday, March 16, 2016 11:02:19 AM

Dear Mr. Pace:

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For your information, fuel costs are reflected separately, through a monthly adjustment to your bill. You can get more information here:

<http://psc.ky.gov/agencies/psc/consumer/FAC%20QandA.pdf>

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From: H.R. Pace [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, February 28, 2016 4:10 PM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer
Subject: Case Related Question

Case #2016-00026

1. With the price of fuel so low, why is Ku asking for a rate increase. This should off set any needed rate increase to the public. If not how, how much has KU saved with the lower fuel prices and has that been figured into what they have ask for in their request for a rate increase. Thank you

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